

of which may be of value for afforestation work in arid and semi-arid regions. For distribution later.

KRAUSSIA FLORIBUNDA. (Rubiaceae.) 34169. Seeds from Durban, Natal. Presented by Dr. J. Medley Wood, Director, Durban Botanic Gardens. "A small tree up to 20 feet in height and one foot in diameter, with a fluted stem. Leaves evergreen. Fruit a small black berry. Wood heavy, hard, not used." (Sim, Forest Flora of Cape Colony.) For distribution later.

MABA NATALENSIS. (Diospyraceae.) 34170. Seeds from Durban, Natal. Presented by Dr. J. Medley Wood, Director, Durban Botanic Gardens. "A tree twenty to fifty feet high with very horizontal densely foliated branches. Fruit one half inch in length, acorn-shaped in the green calyx cup, yellow when ripe, rather succulent though hardly edible. Frequent on the coast throughout Natal. Usually on the sand dunes or behind them. Rarely large enough for the wood to be used as timber." (Sim, Forest Flora of Cape Colony.) Introduced as a possible stock for the various species of Diospyros, to which it is closely related. For distribution later.

MANGIFERA INDICA. (Anacardiaceae.) 34199-205. Plants of mangos from Port Louis, Mauritius. Purchased from the Department of Forests and Gardens, through Mr. Gabriel Regnard. Seven varieties said to be the best grown in the island. For distribution later.

MEDICAGO SPP. (Fabaceae.) 34147-151. Seeds of medicagos from Jerusalem, Palestine. Presented by Mr. E. F. Beaumont. Five species, some of which are very drought-resistant. For distribution later.

OMPHALEA SP. (Euphorbiaceae.) 34156. Seeds from Bocono, Colombia. Presented by Mr. W. O. Wolcott, Brooklyn, N. Y. "I can give you no definite information about these nuts except what the natives told me, as I bought them in the town at the foot of the mountains and did not see the trees. The natives told me they grew high up in the mountains where it is quite cold, but not freezing, probably 7000 to 8000 feet or more, as Bocono where I got them is about 5000 feet. They say the trees grow quite large, 12 to 18 inches in diameter and 50 to 60 feet high, and are very prolific in nuts. They call the nuts by two names, Nueces (nuts), and Pan del pobre (poor people's bread). I have traveled for the last twenty years all over Venezuela and Colombia and have never seen them except at this one place. It rains a good deal in those moun-